



## ED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK, OFFICE-

Applicant:

Sternberg and Barr

Art Unit:

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09/479,467

Examiner:

Paras Jr., P.

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Title:

POLYCYSTIC KIDNEY DISEASE GENE HOMOLOGS

REQUIRED FOR MALE MATING BEHAVIOR IN NEMATODES RECEIVED TEA GOIZE

AND ASSAYS BASED THEREON

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## **RESPONSE**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2002 (Paper No. 29), entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on February 24, 2003, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

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